

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Rick Jore, on March 28, 2007 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Rick Jore, Chairman (C)
Rep. Roger Koopman, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Holly Raser, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)
Rep. Mark Blasdel (R)
Rep. Edward B. Butcher (R)
Rep. Douglas Cordier (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Wanda Grinde (D)
Rep. Robin Hamilton (D)
Rep. Jesse O'Hara (R)
Rep. John Ward (R)
Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Bob Lake (R)
Rep. Michael Lange (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Susan Fox, Legislative Branch
Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 488, 3/15/2007; SB 508,
3/15/2007
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON SB 488

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:48 Sen. Don Ryan (D), SD 10, opened the hearing on SB 488,
Define state share of basic system of quality schools.
[EXHIBIT](#)(edh66a01)

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:11:07 Madalyn Quinlan, Chief of Staff, Office of Public
Instruction, also speaking for Linda McCulloch,
Superintendent of Schools
[EXHIBIT](#)(edh66a02)

00:15:36 Lance Melton, Montana School Boards Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:19:27 Chairman Jore
00:20:08 Rep. Butcher
00:20:56 Sen. Ryan
00:22:51 Rep. Butcher
00:26:27 Rep. Ward
00:27:17 Sen. Ryan
00:29:54 Chairman Jore
00:30:39 Rep. Hamilton
00:33:23 Rep. Raser
00:34:21 Madalyn Quinlan
00:35:19 Rep. Raser
00:36:04 Madalyn Quinlan

Closing by Sponsor:

00:36:50 Sen. Don Ryan

HEARING ON SB 508

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:40:28 Sen. Bob Hawks (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SB
508, Allow public school consideration in impact fees.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:44:52 Lance Melton, Montana School Boards Association

EXHIBIT (edh66a03)

00:47:12 Gordon Morris, representing Lewis and Clark County
Commissioners

00:50:00 Kathy Bramer, speaking on behalf of Linda McCulloch,
Superintendent of Public Instruction

00:51:07 Lynn Scalia, Montforton School District, Bozeman

EXHIBIT (edh66a04)

00:56:21 Don Hoffman, School Trustee, East Helena

00:57:04 Gary Griffith, Montforton School Board Trustee

00:57:42 John McGee, Superintendent, Florence/Carlton School
District

EXHIBIT (edh66a05)

00:59:21 Brian Patrick, Superintendent of Schools, Townsend

EXHIBIT (edh66a06)

01:00:37 Don Hargrove, self

01:01:53 Kim DeBrucker, Gallatin/Gateway Schools, Superintendent

01:02:22 Darrell Rud, School Administrators of Montana

Opponents' Testimony:

01:02:45 Michael Kakuk, Attorney, Helena, representing Montana
Association of Realtors

01:07:48 Byron Roberts, representing Montana Building Industry
Association

EXHIBIT (edh66a07)

01:14:16 Joe Roberts, representing Montana Association of
Registered Land Surveyors (MARLS)

01:15:44 Dustin Stewart, representing Montana Building Industry
Association

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:18:15 Rep. Butcher

01:19:02 Rep. Wilmer

01:19:51 Sen. Hawks

01:20:26 Dustin Stewart

01:22:15 Rep. Blasdel

01:23:00 Sen. Hawks

01:23:13 Rep. Grinde

01:23:49 Sen. Hawks

01:24:58 Rep. Raser

01:26:05 Gordon Morris

01:27:35 Rep. Koopman

01:28:29 Lance Melton

Closing by Sponsor:

01:29:38 Sen. Bob Hawks

Additional Exhibit:

[EXHIBIT](#)(edh66a08)

Pertaining to HB 508

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:00 P.M.

REP. RICK JORE, Chairman

DEBRA POLHEMUS, Secretary

RJ/dp

Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([edh66aad.pdf](#))